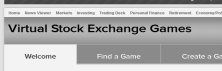
Stock Market Project Rules and Guidelines

Sign Up/ Start Up

* + Each student will sign up for an account at [marketwatch.com](http://www.stocksquest.com)
    - You must create an account with the website first.
    - You will need an email address to confirm account.
    - Then go back to website and choose Games.
  + Each student will join a game in order to compete against one another in the stock market game.
  + Your game name is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_PW \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Game Play/ Project Requirements

* + Each student will receive $100,000 in virtual money to invest in the stock market.
  + Each student will research a minimum of 3 companies (“Keepers”) to purchase for their Stock Market Portfolio. For each of these companies students will complete a Company Research Sheet. A minimum of $5,000 must be invested into each of the 3 selected companies. Students will report on their company’s performance in their Stock Market Journal.
  + Purchase stock in 3 “Keeper” companies. These will remain in your stock portfolio the entire game- consider them “locked in”.
  + Students may purchase as many additional companies as they would like and may buy/sell them at any time.
  + You must buy and track a minimum of 3 companies for your Gain/Loss Chart.

Stock Portfolio

The Journal includes the following items:

* + Date and time of entry
  + Portfolio activity: *What are you buying or selling?*
  + Rationale for your activity: *Why did you buy or sell this stock?*
  + Currentmarket chart and stock table for activity: *Found on site.*
  + Typed and free of spelling/grammar errors.

The Gain/Loss Chart reflects the capital gains/losses for their stock portfolio.

The Reflective Essay explains their experiences during the stock market project.

Basic Stock Trading Rules

* Each student will start with $100,000
* Each transaction will cost $15.00
* Cash in your account will earn 4.00% interest
* Margin purchases will be charged 8.00% interest
* Stocks under $1.00 cannot be purchased
* Stocks must be listed on the NYSE or the NASDAQ
* Stocks cannot be sold until the next trading day
* On the buy page… do not hit submit more than once/ do not hit refresh
* There is a 15-20 minute lag between the market and the website, and will slow down updates.

Samples of Portfolio Components: <http://nazaretheconomics.wikispaces.com>

**Unit 4: Wages and Earnings**